STCG Subcon Subgroup Meeting Minutes

December 1, 1998

Introduction/Announcements (Fred Serier)

Fred opened the meeting and asked for introductions around the room.

A letter was sent from DOE-HQ stating that all the projects that were proposed will get a small amount of the ASTD funding. (Hanford submitted 2 proposals from BHI and 3 proposals from FDH.) This is a problem because a couple of the Hanford projects are not ready to be started, so funding them all doesn't make sense. It's possible that HQ will send all the funds to Hanford to be allocated appropriately. Perhaps a letter from the STCG Management Council is needed.

Dennis Faulk mentioned that EPA has sent a letter to Gerald Boyd regarding barrier monitoring, and Dave Biancosino was copied. They received a response on November 30.

Review Minutes from Last Meeting (Facilitator)

The facilitator reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. No changes were requested.

Status Report on N-Springs ITRD Project (John April)

John talked to Mike Hightower right before the Subgroup meeting. Four technologies will be funded for treatability studies:

- soil flushing
- in situ soil stabilization using phosphate chemistry (to be funded in a phased approach)
- groundwater modeling
- bank stabilization (slope stability evaluation)

Dennis asked who made the decision on which technologies go forward. John answered that it was Mike Hightower and the ITRD Project, and that they will be documenting their decision.

Dennis stated that it should be DOF PL and the Hanford regulators that make the decision. He

Endorsement of New Vadose Zone Technology Needs (John April)

Dennis and Arlene made some minor modifications to the technology needs, and then they were both endorsed by the Subgroup. Fred asked the facilitator to make sure these technology needs are on the STCG Management Council agenda for endorsement at their next meeting.

Endorsement of FY99 Subgroup Work Plan (Fred Serier)

The FY99 Subgroup Work Plan was endorsed with a few minor changes.

During the discussions, Dennis noted that we never follow up on our S&T needs. Why not status two or three needs per Subgroup meeting? We could discuss alternative technologies being demonstrated/deployed across the Complex that might meet our needs. We could make this a standard agenda item.

Dib Goswami asked if Fred Serier or Dave Biancosino receives any monthly report on SCFA activities. There was some discussion on whether Fred should start sitting in on the weekly conference calls that Dave has with SCFA. It was suggested that we get SCFA to come here and give them a specific agenda to address. A video conference was also suggested.

Gary Ballew volunteered to send a message to the Hanford Tanks Initiative (HTI) stating that the Subcon Subgroup is interested in demonstrations or presentations that are related to vadose zone technology activities.

It was suggested that Dave Biancosino get the Subgroup Leads together at least quarterly to discuss how things are going and share information.

Carbon Tetrachloride ITRD Project (Arlene Tortoso)

The carbon tetrachloride ITRD project statement of work (SOW) was issued for review and Mike Hightower liked it. Now it needs Subgroup and Management Council endorsement. Arlene asked the facilitator to make sure this gets on the Management Council agenda for their December meeting. She wants to find out if any Management Council members have issues or concerns about the project and if they want to participate.

Attendees

John April (BHI)
Gary Ballew (Pacific Rim)
Bill Bonner (PNNL)
Craig Cameron (EPA)
Linda Fassbender (PNNL)
Dennis Faulk (EPA)
Dib Goswami (Ecology)
Fred Serier (DOE-RL/AME)
John Stanfill (Nez Perce Tribe)
Arlene Tortoso (DOE-RL/AME)
Jerry White (BHI)

Next Meeting

The next Subgroup meeting is scheduled for January 5, 1999 in Room 2A-01 of the Bechtel Building. Potential agenda items include:

- Update on horizontal drilling in the 200 Area (John April)
- Focus on two or three Subcon technology needs and possible solutions
- EMSP briefings by principal investigators